



BIOGRAPHY

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COLONEL BARRY K. TAYLOR

Col. Barry K. Taylor enlisted in the Kansas Army National Guard as a Light Wheel Vehicle Mechanic in May 1982 and received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Ordnance Corps on Dec. 20, 1984,

Taylor's Kansas National Guard assignments include platoon leader, Detachment 2, 995th Maintenance Company and Detachment 2, Company D, 735th Support Battalion; maintenance control officer, Detachment 1, Company D, 735th Support Battalion; intelligence/training officer and staff officer, 287th Maintenance Battalion; commander, Company B, 169th Forward Support Battalion; assistant logistics officer and deputy training officer, 35th Infantry Division (Mechanized); assistant inspector general, Kansas State Area Command; director of logistics, Land Component, Joint Force Headquarters; commander, 169th Corps Support Battalion; deputy commander, 287th Sustainment Brigade; director of Force Structure, Resources and Assessment, Joint Force Headquarters, and commander of the 287th Sustainment Brigade. He currently serves as the deputy Chief of Staff – Army for Joint Forces Headquarters Kansas – Land Component.



Taylor has deployed overseas twice during his military career, as the deputy chief of the Joint Military Affairs Detachment in Bosnia-Herzegovina in 2003; and as the deputy commander of the 287th Sustainment Brigade in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from 2008-09.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, National Defense Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Superior Unit Award, and the NATO Non-Article 5 Service Medal.

Taylor's military education includes the Ordnance Officer Basic Course, Ordnance Officer Advanced Course, Logistics Management Development Course, Company Level Pre-Command Course, U.S. Army Inspector General Course, Reserve Component Multi-Functional Combat Services Course, and the U.S. Army War College.

He has received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture from Kansas State University, a Master of Science Degree in Management from Baker University, and a Master of Science in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

Taylor and his wife Karla reside in Shawnee, Kan. In his full-time position he is the Director of Logistics for Joint Forces Headquarters Kansas in Topeka.